

REMARKS

We are in receipt of the Office Action dated July 16, 2003 and the above Amendment and following remarks are made in light thereof.

Claims 1, 7, 13, and 19-26 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) pursuant to the Office Action.

In independent claims 1, 7, 13 and 22-26, as amended above, a first information is transmitted from a controller to at least one of said flat panel displays to display the first information. Further, in independent claims 1, 7, 13 and 22-26, an image second information different from said first information is transmitted from a TV tuner to said at least one of said flat panel displays to display said image second information.

A TV tuner is not described in the references to Schoolman, Catallo, or Spitzer.

The reference to Fan et al. discloses, in column 25, as follows: "Fig. 60 is a perspective view of a head-mounted display integrated with a television tuner. The head-mounted display 1960 includes a headband 1962 with stereo headphones 1963a, 1963b. A television or radio receiver 1965 is integrated into the headband 1962. The receiver 1965 includes an antenna 1966 and controls 1967. The controls 1967 can include a tuning control[,] a loudness control[,] and a picture control."

From this disclosure in Fan et al., the controls 1967 appear to control a television or radio information. Contrary to this, in independent claims 1, 7, 13 and 22-26, as amended above, a controller transmits a first information to at least one of flat panel displays to display the first information, and a TV tuner transmits an image second information different from the first information to at least one of the flat panel displays. For these reasons above, independent claims 1, 7, 13 and 22-26 distinguish over the above references.

Next, claims 2 and 4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

In independent claim 2, as amended above, first information is transmitted from a controller to at least one of said flat panel displays to display the first information. Further, in independent claim 2, an image second information different from said first information is transmitted from a TV tuner to said at least one of said flat panel displays to display said image second information.

A TV tuner is not described in the reference to Schoolman, Catallo et al., Spitzer, or Funai.

As noted above in Fan et al., the controls 1967 in Fan et al. appear to control a television or radio information. Contrary to this, a controller transmits a first information to at least one of flat panel displays to display the first information, and a TV tuner transmits an image second

information different from the first information to at least one of the flat panel displays in independent claim 2, as amended above. For the reasons above, independent claim 2 distinguishes over the above references.

Next, claim 3 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). Because claim 3 is dependent on independent claim 2, claim 3 is patentable for at least the same reasons as independent claim 2, as explained above.

Next, claim 5 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). Because claim 5 is dependent on independent claim 1, claim 5 is patentable for at least the same reasons as independent claim 1, as explained above.

Next, claim 6 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). Because claim 6 is dependent on independent claim 1, claim 6 is patentable for at least the same reasons as independent claim 1, as explained above.

Next, claims 8, 10, 14 and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). Because claims 8, 10, 14 and 16 are dependent on independent claims 7 and 13, claims 8, 10, 14 and 16 are patentable for at least the same reasons as independent claims 7 and 13, as explained above.

Next, claims 9 and 15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). Because claims 9 and 15 depend on independent claims 8 and 14,

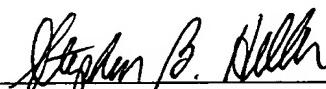
claims 9 and 15 are patentable for at least the same reasons as independent claims 8 and 14, as explained above.

Next, claims 11 and 17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). Because claims 11 and 17 depend on independent claims 7 and 13, claims 11 and 17 are patentable for the same reasons as independent claims 7 and 13, as explained above.

Next, claims 12 and 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). Because claims 12 and 18 depend on independent claims 7 and 13, claims 12 and 18 are patentable for the same reasons as independent claims 7 and 13, as explained above.

Based upon the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance, and an early Office Action in this regard is earnestly solicited.

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